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SUBJECT: VISIT OF GUINEAN MISSION TO IMPLEMENT RICE AGREEMENT

REF: A) CONAKRY 837 AND B) CONAKRY 890

1. WE OWE MINPLAN SANGARE A RESPONSE TO HIS SUGGESTION THAT HE DELAY HIS DEPARTURE FROM CONAKRY, AT THE HEAD OF A CONFIDENTIAL

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MISSION TO IMPLEMENT THE SEPTEMBER 22 PL-480 AGREEMENT UNTIL THE DEPARTMENT HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSED VISIT.

2. YOU SHOULD INFORM SANGARE WE CONTINUE TO BE PREPARED TO RECEIVE A GUINEAN DELEGATION TO MAKE PURCHASING AND

SHIPPING ARRANGEMENTS FOR 10,000 TONS OF RICE PROVIDED FOR IN THE PL-480 TITLE I AGREEMENT SIGNED LAST SEPTEMBER. (PA GV 7036 FOR 10,000 METRIC TONS RICE EXPECTED TO BE IS-SUED JUNE 1). THE COMPOSITION OF THIS DELEGATION IS A MATTER FOR THE GUINEAN GOVERNMENT TO DECIDE AND IF THE GUINEAN GOVERNMENT WISHES TO SEND A MINISTER AT THE HEAD OF THE DELEGATION WE SHALL NOT OBJECT. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT WISH TO AROUSE ANY FALSE HOPES BY AGREEING TO RECEIVE MINISTER SANGARE. OUR POSITION WITH REGARD TO FURTHER AS-SISTANCE TO GUINEA, EITHER PL-480 ASSISTANCE IN ADDITION TO THE 10.000 TONS OF RICE, OR PROJECT ASSISTANCE OF THE KIND SANGARE OUTLINED TO THE AMBASSADOR AND AF/W DIRECTOR (PARA 4 REFTEL A) CONTINUES TO BE THE FOLLOWING. WE SHALL EXAMINE ALL REQUESTS IN THE LIGHT OF OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE NEEDS OF THE GUINEAN PEOPLE. AFTER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF THE ACTIONS OF THE GUINEAN GOVERNMENT THAT DIRECTLY AFFECT US INTERESTS AND IN TERMS OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES.

- 3. FYI. PL-480 TITLE I FOR FY 1977 IS ALMOST FULLY ALLOCATED. ANY REQUESTS FOR PL-480 COMMODITIES IN ADDITION TO THE 10,000 TONS OF RICE PROVIDED FOR IN THE SEPTEMBER 1976 AGREEMENT, WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER THE FY 78 PROGRAM. WE DO NOT HOWEVER PROPOSE TO INFORM THE GUINEANS UNTIL WE KNOW MORE ABOUT THE DETAILS OF THE APPROACH THEY WILL MAKE. END FYI.
- 4. YOU MAY REFER TO MINISTER SANGARE'S STATEMENT THAT HE WILL CARRY A LETTER FROM PRESIDENT SEKOU TOURE TO THE SECRETARY. WHEN WE KNOW THE DATES OF THE MINISTER'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON WE SHALL ASCERTAIN WHETHER THE SECRETARY OR THE CONFIDENTIAL

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DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD BE FREE TO RECEIVE THE MINISTER AND TAKE DELIVERY OF THE LETTER. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE HEAVILY CHARGED SCHEDULE OF SENIOR DEPARTMENTAL OFFICERS AT THIS TIME OF YEAR, WE CAN MAKE NO COMMITMENTS AT THIS TIME. YOU CAN ASSURE MINISTER SANGARE THAT HE WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS.

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